

## POCAHONTAS TIMES.

Oil was struck at Hinton while boring for water at a depth of 33 feet.

The Hinton Daily Star is the latest addition to the journalistic ranks.

Anthony Kincaid was kicked by a horse Monday and badly hurt.

Work on the ditch for the First National's water works is progressing satisfactorily.

Geo. W. McClintic and Dr. Kerkpatrick of Charleston, were in Marlinton several days this week.

Dr. Stout will be in his home office after November 1st, ready to receive all needing his services as a dentist.

Mr. and Mrs. Neff have returned from a month's visit to their native town on the Ohio above Huntington.

Harper McLaughlin, of Bath was in Pocahontas several days last week, attending to business and looking up old friends.

G. Marcus Johnson of this office, got a handful of fingers in a job press, Saturday, and lost a number of finger nails.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Leach, who recently sold their farm, the F. A. Renick's place, have moved from the Levels to White Sulphur.

Dr. Miller of Durbin, is down with diphtheria, having succumbed to the disease which has been epidemic in the upper end of the past month or so.

Oscar A. Ball, was over from Elk Monday. He says arrangements have been made for a daily mail from Clover Lick to Mingo, the new schedule to go in effect November 9th.

Forest fires are in progress in different parts of the county one of the largest burning between Marlinton and Edray on both sides of Indian draft, endangering much fence and property.

Miss Nora Wilson is again in Marlinton having returned from Greenbrier, where she has been following her calling as a trained nurse a number of.

Hunters returning from the Cranberry—Williams river wilderness report little or no game owing to the scarcity of mast. A number of turkeys have been killed on the ridges near town where not only acorns but chestnuts are found in abundance.

A large party armed to the teeth, out for game, was transported to these woods by Wednesday's train. They immediately hid themselves to the forest where no doubt a rich reward waits upon their endeavors.

R. C. Kennedy, South Eastern Passenger Agent Big Four Route was in Marlinton Tuesday on business relative to the party from Dry Branch who expect to migrate to the state of Washington.

The Wallace show has sued the C. & O. for \$10,000 damages on account of arriving too late in Ronceverte to give a parade October 7th. The railroad company has replied that a number of the show cars were in such a condition as to be dangerous if run over a certain rate of speed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Moore of Hillsboro passed Marlinton Monday on their return from the Sunset dedication and report a very interesting time in witnessing the exercises and meeting with so many friends and acquaintances.

Revenue Inspector Poberton was here Saturday to hold a preliminary hearing in the case against Ellis Jackson, a negro charged with unlawful retailing. Jackson a prominent in church and secret order affairs of the Brush, was held under \$300 bail for a hearing in the United States court at Huntington. The bail was given.

## AWFUL DISASTER.

In Boiler Explosion at Elkins.

By our exchanges we are informed that one of the saddest events that ever occurred at Elkins, took place in the afternoon of October 21, 9:15 o'clock, by which four persons were killed instantly and three injured severely by the explosion of W. V. C. Engine No. 19 in the Elkins yards.

Repairs on the Engine had been just completed and it was taken from the shop to be tested. The private car, "Graceland," had just been shifted and upon going up the track a few hundred yards the terrific explosion occurred rending the air and tearing No. 19 into atoms.

Engineer Little's body was blown into fragments, legs and arms with other pieces being picked up for several hundred yards.

Fireman Collett was thrown three hundred feet falling within a few feet of sister's house.

Machinist Harper's body fell fully five hundred feet in an alley in the rear of Howard Sutherland's residence. The wagon top and dome of the boiler several tons in weight was projected through the air five hundred feet above a number of houses striking Mrs. Rabbett's home, wrecking and killing her almost at once.

Within a radius of two hundred yards of the accident houses were injured more or less either by the force of the explosion or by the flying fragments of the engine. Windows were broken and large openings were made in a number of houses by heavy fragments of the locomotive, fortunately none of the residents were injured though many ran narrow risks.

A minute or so before the explosion the engine passed the platform where two or three hundred people were standing and it is startling to think what the loss of life might have been.

A few personal particulars indicate that Collett was 27 years old and survived by wife and child. Little was 25 survived by widow and one child. Harper was 26 and unmarried. Mrs. Kate Rabbett was the widow of the late Partley Rabbett aged about 53 years and survived by three daughters and two sons.

The injured were Mrs. Virginia Boyl sister of Mrs. Rabbett, his shoulder severely bruised; G. Dougherty, a brakeman, badly shaken up; Pietro Caiuseta, a stone cutter, arm broken and head badly cut by flying pieces.

### Game Protection.

A land owner who has heretofore refused to post his lands giving for his reason that he believe what game was on it was for the use of the people and that it was not right to retain it for his own use. He has recently seen fit to change his mind however: He has a large field of corn in need of husking, and has tried to hire the sons of poorer neighbors, who have no steady employment, to help him crib his corn. The boys refused to work, saying they could make twice as much by hunting pheasants. On inquiry the farmer found that the boys were killing pheasants on his land. While he by no means condoned the boys' action, he has since kept a strict watch over them. The public ownership of game is a very beautiful theory but not a practical one, as it is very hard on the game, which falls into the hands of those who abuse it and are not entitled to it.

Rev. W. A. Sharp preached his farewell sermon at Palestine Church yesterday. He has been transferred to the W. Va. Conference and appointed to Minona Circuit in Maryland. We very much hate to lose Rev. Sharp. He has been with us nearly five years and has proved faithful to his work and attached to the people.—South Branch Review.

Butter and eggs bought by Hamilton for 20 cts. Chickens etc.

## NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

On Knapps Creek Dedicated Sunday.

The new Presbyterian church was dedicated last Sunday in the presence of a large congregation at least 500 people being present. Rev. J. C. Brown of Lewisburg preached the sermon, his subject being "what constitutes the church." Mr. Brown handled the subject with his accustomed power and held the undivided attention of his hearers although the house was packed to suffocation.

The afternoon was devoted to the organization of a church. The members of the commission appointed by Presbytery present were Rev. J. C. Brown, M. J. McNeel, Geo. M. Kee and Dr. S. P. Patterson. Mr. Brown preached a sermon on church members and church membership taking his lesson from the Apostle Peter's Vision of the sheet descending. The church was then organized with thirty-five members, about thirty of whom were dismissed from the Huntersville Church. Peter Cloek, Lanty Harold, Coe Beverage and Anos L. Harold were the four elders installed while John A. Cloek and Millard Harold were made deacons.

During the interim between services, the large crowd ate a portion of great variety of good things provided by the members of the congregation.

The new church is at the junction of the Knapps creek and Hills county roads, on land donated by Frank Hamilton. It is a good substantial building, centrally located with no debt to overshadow it.

The following letter from Rev. J. C. Brown who preached the dedicatory sermon of the new Sunset church and assisted in its organization gives particulars that will interest our readers and we would hereby share our pleasure with them.

DEAR BRO. PRICE: We all missed you at the organization and dedication of the church on Knapps Creek. Many inquiries were made about you, and regret that you did not get up to see the great turn out of the people to the services. Between 400 and 500 people there, 200 were counted as coming out of the church from the morning service, and there were thought to be from 150 to 200 outside who did not get in. Though there was such a throng, there was the best of order both inside and outside. A plentiful table for all to have something to eat, and the fragments left over would have filled 12 baskets full. The promise for our church there is flattering and you perhaps laid the foundation and Bro. Nickell is building the wall upon what has been laid. So many bright promising children and so many good hospitable people. I am rejoiced that our Presbyterian church is doing so much on Knapps Creek. The valley and the people were a glad surprise to me as I looked on it and them for the first time, and I hope I may again have the privilege of being amongst the people, and looking at the valley and the mountains round about. The Church building is a credit to those who built it and to others as far as it is concerned. You just go up and see it. You will say "Eureka!" So comfortable you might fall asleep if the minister was not preaching a "rousing" sermon.

The meeting is going on and will be this week and next. Quite an interest and good attendance and several have come forward and stood up for prayer. I trust a larger blessing is in store in answer to prayer, preaching and faithful individual effort on the part of God's people.

Fraternally Yours,

J. C. Brown.

The first passenger train was run on the Greenbrier & Iron Mountain Railway, Saturday October 17. The train consisted of two cars and carried about a hundred passengers, conspicuous among whom was Col. Dan O'Connell who had been instrumental in the building of the road. Tan Shires of Ronceverte, was the conductor and Lynn Town's had charge of the engine. The distance was 18 miles and was made in an hour and twenty minutes including a stop for water.

## THE BELLED BUZZARD.

Is Seen in Rockingham County.

GREEN MOUNT, N. A. (Special) John I. Myers, a farmer, living six miles from Harrisonburg was recently walking through his corn field when his attention was suddenly called by the faint tinkling of a bell. Thinking some animal had broken into his field he made a thorough investigation, but none could be seen. The sound of the bell became more distinct and seemed to come from above. Looking up he saw a buzzard at some height. When it would flap its wings the bell could be very distinctly heard. The bird sailed around several minutes and finally disappeared toward the northwest. Six or seven years since a belled buzzard was seen near the same place by several reputable persons.

### Huntersville.

Most of our town people went to the dedication at Knapps creek Sunday.

Mr. James A. Reed is able to be out again after a spell of fever.

Mrs. J. S. Moore and daughter and Mr. Wood left Thursday for Braxton Co. on a visit.

Mrs. H. M. Lockridge has returned from an extended visit to the west.

Mr. P. H. Warwick of Greenbank and sister Mrs. G. W. Sipe spent a few days visiting Mrs. O. D. Warwick.

Mr. E. H. Moore and wife of Academy were in town last week.

Mrs. A. B. McComb entertained her lady friends with the grand opera Sunday evening.

M. F. White and wife of Edray spent a few days at Mrs. Friel's.

Mrs. Nannie Ratcliff and son were at Mr. J. S. Moore's last Saturday.

Mrs. Warren is on the sick list. The ladies aid society of Huntersville have made a nice rag-carpet for the parsonage at Marlinton.

Mr. O. D. Warwick spent Saturday and Sunday with his family he returned to camp Sunday evening.

William Grose and John Grogg are busy sowing rye at this time.

Miss Mable Moore spent last Sunday on Browns mountain visiting friends.

Mrs. McNeil who has been visiting her father Mr. William Curry has returned home. Our school is progressing nicely with Miss Lillie Friel as teacher, she has 30 scholars.

Mrs. Gooch expects to start to Covington, Tuesday.

October 21, 1903, Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Sydenstricker of Athens, W. Va. were bereaved of their little daughter Adella, aged over two years and their only child. The ailment was spinal meningitis in form so virulent as to baffle all possible attention and medical skill. Adella's grand parents are Dr. and Mrs. D. S. Sydenstricker of Hillsboro, and to them and the sorely bereaved young parents our sincere sympathies are tendered along with their many other sympathizing friends in West Virginia and Vermont. "Is it well with thee? Is it well with the child? and she answered it is well."—Bible.

W. T. P.

George Sheets had the misfortune to get his left hand caught in an apple mill last Wednesday while preparing to make cider, and terribly lacerated, mashing off the end of his fore finger and losing the nail from two others. While he has a very sore hand, no serious consequences are feared as the wounds have begun to heal rapidly.

Henry A. Slaven of Monterey writes us that he has recently done some excavating in some of the numerous Indian mounds to be seen near his place. No stone implements or weapons were unearthed but the fragments of a number of skeletons were brought to light. He has very kindly promised us some of these remains as an addition to our collection.

B. B. Hambrick reports the record breaking sheep of the season. One he bought of John Beverage at Clover Creek, which weighed 233 pounds. Stockmen tell us that this is an exceptional sheep, out weighing those of Canada which are said to be the heaviest sheep of the world.

## A HOUSE BURNED.

At the West End of the Bridge.

Marlinton had one of its periodical blazes Friday night. The store house at one time occupied by Golden and later by Harrison, situated at the west end of the bridge, was burned, somewhat endangering Richardson's large hardware store and many other buildings. The building was one of the first erected in Marlinton and belonged to Mrs. Andrew McLaughlin. It was a frame structure poorly built, and was in ashes in a remarkably short time after the flames were discovered. The cause of the fire is not known exactly, but is supposed to have come from an exploding lamp. The house was occupied by two women, one of whom was very sick at the time and barely got out in time to save her life. A crowd of perhaps 300 men gathered to see the fire and much water was carried but owing to the calmness of the evening it was not needed.

### Buckeye.

John Beverage is selling off and will start for Washington the 10th of next month he will locate in the eastern part, we wish him much success.

Cam Roke of Hot Springs, Va. is visiting his sister Mrs. Jake Webster at this place.

The Sunday School is progressing nicely under the management of Dorsey Little as Superintendent, we are glad to see our young people take such an interest in the work.

Rev. Bennett will preach at the M. P. church next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Miss Ruth Smith of Burra valley is visiting at Mr. Coles for a while.

Mr. Roy Kellison is at Seebert buying calves.

John Edmison and Ebert Simmons are at Greenbrier where they have a job logging.

Park McNeil has returned home from Cherry River where he has been working for the Cherry River Boom & Lumber Co.

Harry Tompson and family visited N. C. Rodgers last Sunday.

Miss Edna McNeil is teaching the Beaver Dam school and is getting along nicely.

Miss Francis McNeil and Elizabeth Pennel have been visiting their grandmother.

R. C. Thomas is at home on a visit from Durbin where he has had charge of a section on the C. & I. R. R.

### Good Morning

Try Laxative Cold Tablets, prepared by the Marlinton Drug Store for that cold and you'll feel better.

### Arising Eloquist

Miss Margery Moore, niece of E. H. Moore, of Academy, and granddaughter of the late Rev. Jas. E. Moore, of Pocahontas county, now teaching elocution in Fargo College, N. D., is highly complimented on her talent as a reader by the Fargo Forum, as shown by the following extract from that paper, giving an account of a literary entertainment at the College:

"Miss Moore appeared six times, but each one of her selections was of an entirely different character from all the rest, showing the versatility of Miss Moore's talents. She ranged all the way from humorous dialect pieces, which kept her auditors in laughter to stirring historical tales.

During the opening selection, Renzi, the audience was held fairly breathless while she mirrored with inimitable skill the work of an Italian mob in the street of Rome in the Thirteenth Century. But she was equally at home with the lighter work. Her recital of Riley's "Bear Story" convulsed the house. Her wide appreciation of literature and her skill in rendering it makes her an extremely valuable acquisition to the college faculty."

Greenbrier Independent.

### Use Your Brain

Until it is tired and it demands something to assist it regain exhausted energies before it will allow you rest. Granular Effort of Hadden's Salt for Brain Refreshment is what is needed. A sore cure for sick headache, The Marlinton Drug Store.

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We also have a full line of walking skirts, dress skirts, shirt waists, shirt waist patterns, capes, jackets, etc.

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